

# 2011 AISLE Survive



## LOL: Love of Literature

Tuesday, June 14, 2011  
Ben Davis High School  
Indianapolis, IN

featuring keynote speaker ...

### Anita Silvey



In *Everything I Need to Know I Learned from a Children's Book*, Anita Silvey provides insights into the question that has informed her entire career: What are the best books for children to read and what do adults remember about them? Only in the case of this book, those adults now happen to be among our most respected and admired leaders in society. In her speech, Anita will discuss not only some great children's books, but also the people they inspired. Anita will also show how even specific lines in children's books have charted the course of people's careers and highlight the roles that parents, librarians, and teachers have played in shaping our national heroes.



Pricing for the conference is only \$30 for ILF members and \$45 for non-members. Price includes lunch!



Deadline to register is Tuesday, June 7, 2011.

Register today at

[www.ilfonline.org/AISLEsurvive](http://www.ilfonline.org/AISLEsurvive)

## AGENDA

### Registration

8:30 a.m. - 9 a.m.

### Keynote Speaker

Anita Silvey

### "Everything I Need to Know I Learned from a Children's Book"

9 a.m. - 10 a.m.

### Break

10 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

### Author Panel Discussion

10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

### Nick Glass Presentation

10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

### Book Sales and Author Signings

11:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

### Lunch

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

### Breakout Session #1

12:30 p.m. - 1:20 p.m.

### Breakout Session #2

1:30 p.m. - 2:20 p.m.

### Wrap-Up, Book Sales and Author Signings

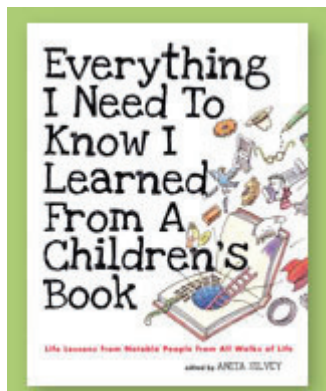
2:30 p.m. - 3 p.m.

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### Keynote Speaker Anita Silvey (1 PGP)

9 a.m. - 10 a.m.



The author of *100 Best Books for Children*, *500 Great Books for Teens*, and *Everything I Need to Know I Learned from a Children's Book*, Anita Silvey has devoted 40 years to promoting books that will turn the young—and families—into readers. She has appeared frequently on *NPR*, *The Today Show*, *60 Minutes*, and various radio programs to talk about best books for young people. In a unique career in the children's book field, Ms. Silvey has divided her time equally between

publishing, evaluating children's books, and writing. Her lifelong conviction that "only the very best of anything can be good enough for the young" forms the cornerstone of her work. Formerly publisher of children's books for Houghton Mifflin Company and editor-in-chief of *The Horn Book Magazine*, she currently teaches modern book publishing, children's book publishing, and children's book author studies at several colleges.

### Featured Authors and Presenters

**Kay Cassidy** is the author of fiction books for teens including *The Cinderella Society* and founder of *The Great Scavenger Hunt Contest*.

**Candace Fleming** is the author of more than 20 books including *The Great and Only Barnum* and *The Lincolns: A Scrapbook Look at Abraham and Mary*.

**Nick Glass** is the founder of [teachingbooks.net](http://teachingbooks.net) which is now a part of Inspire, our Indiana virtual library.

**April Pulley Sayre** is the author of nonfiction books for children including *Turtle, Turtle, Watch Out!* and *Meet the Howlers!*

**David Slonim** is the author and illustrator of *He Came with the Couch* and *Oh, Ducky!*

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### Author Panel Discussion

10:15 a.m - 10:45 a.m.

#### **Bridges Through Books: How Creating Books Leads to Unexpected Connections**

Authors and illustrators speak to how researching, writing, illustrating, and sharing books has led to surprising connections in their lives and readers' lives.

**Presenters:** Kay Cassidy, Candace Fleming, April Pulley Sayre, and David Slonim

### Nick Glass Presentation

10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

#### **Authors and Illustrators Enter Your School Libraries and Classrooms via INSPIRE-Supported TeachingBooks.net (.5 PGP)**

Join this session to learn how to use the INSPIRE / Indiana State Library TeachingBooks.net database to support your library and reading work. TeachingBooks.net adds an engaging and thought-provoking multimedia dimension to the reading experiences of the books and authors read in your K-12 classes with online materials. During the session, we will hear from award-winning authors as we explore ways to use video interviews, book readings, ready-to-use novel units, and even something so brief as an author saying his or her name – all of which provide personal connections to literature and books that bring the reading experience to life for students, teachers, and librarians alike. This presentation is brought to you by the Indiana State Library.

### Breakout Session #1

12:30 p.m. - 1:20 p.m.

#### **A) The Children's Book A Day Almanac: Our Best Children's Books and the Stories Behind Them (1 PGP)**

Every day Anita Silvey features a new classic title, or one on its way to becoming a classic, on the Children's Book A Day Almanac. In this inspiring session, she tells the stories behind our great books, how they got written and created, and the stumbling blocks along the way. For your own entertainment or for use with your students, these stories will amaze, delight, and inspire you.

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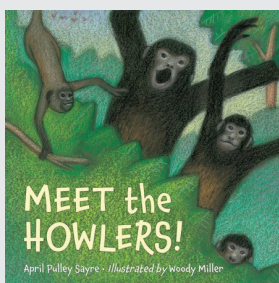
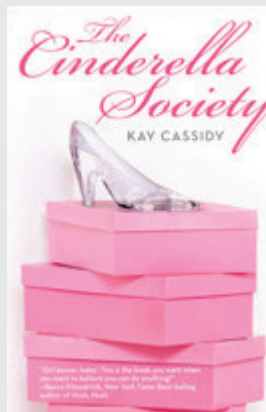
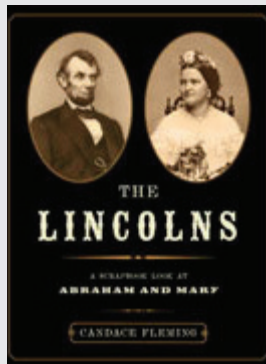
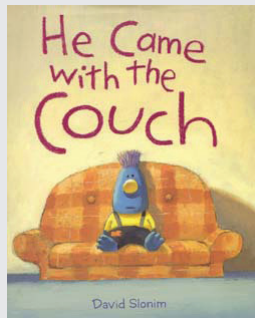
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## AUTHOR SIGNINGS

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#### C) From Idea to Bookshelf: An Insider's Guide to How a Book Gets Published (1 PGP)

Go behind the scenes of the publishing industry to see how an author takes that first glimmer of an idea and guides it through the process to become a finished book on the shelf. This workshop includes the inner workings of an author's mind (a.k.a. "I have an idea! Um, now what?") and the glamorous life of writing and editing (and editing and editing). Kay will also discuss the wacky world of literary agents and submissions, the inner sanctum of publishing: working with your editor, the roller coaster of reviews, to the ultimate moment of seeing your book on the shelf (or so you hope!).

**Presenter:** Kay Cassidy

#### D) Bring 'Em Back Alive: Writing Biographies Kids Will (Hopefully!) Love (1 PGP)

What does it take to write a biography kids will love? In this fun and fascinating presentation, Boston Globe/Horn Book Award winner Candace Fleming shares her research and writing process as she tries to "bring 'em back alive." Participants will not only learn about the special editing and design considerations that go into creating her signature "scrapbook biographies," but they get a view of what she calls her "adventures in research," uncovering forgotten historic documents in a New York attic, attending a memorial service for a former First Lady, being surrounded by wild boars in Borneo, and even learning to walk a tightrope!

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This talk will introduce energetic read alouds that make for fun storytimes about gardens, farming, insects, fish, biomes, and birds. Along the way, you'll discover the rain forest inspiration and Midwest garden goofiness behind April Pulley Sayre's 50+ books. Explore voice, and its role in transforming simple nonfiction ideas into read aloud, playful prose. Get a behind-the-scenes video look at *He's a Howler* and the story behind other stories, too. Attendees will receive a handout of activities, crafts, and books that highlight the farmers market/garden theme of *Rah, Rah, Radishes: A Vegetable Chant*, (June, 2011, Simon & Schuster), which was photographed right here in Indiana. You'll also hear a few top secret outtakes—stanzas that, thankfully, will never ever be allowed in a book.

**Presenter:** April Pulley Sayre

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### Breakout Session #2

1:30 p.m. - 2:20 p.m.

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Join this breakout session to interactively explore how TeachingBooks.net -- an INSPIRE / Indiana State Library sponsored database -- can directly support the library and reading work in your schools. We'll review ways to use this K-12, multimedia author and book database to make sure that everyone leaves this session with a plan and support for taking this resource back to school and engage students, colleagues, and families about books and library work! This session is brought to you by the Indiana State Library.

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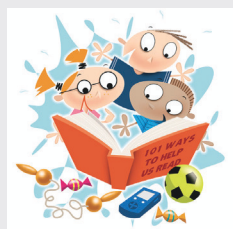




## CONFERENCE DETAILS

### Book Drive

Please bring a new or gently used children's book to the conference for the Turn A Page Literacy book drive, a joint effort between ILF and Senator Richard Lugar.



Stop by the  
ILF and AISLE  
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Magnets, cups,  
tees, and more!

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